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In The Circuit Court of CABELL County, West Virginia

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Plaintiffs		
LAURA MAYNARD and JONATHAN ROY,		26 M COP COP
vs.		ERR 5
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF CABELL COUNTY, WEST VIRGINIA

LAURA MAYNARD and JONATHAN ROY.

Plaintiffs.

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Civil Action No. 21-C-394 Judge: 19/ ALFRED E. FERGUSON

PRO TRANSPORT & LEASING, INC., JASON REVELS, REINKE MANUFACTURING COMPANY and JOHN DOE DRIVER,

Defendants.

COMPLAINT

COME NOW the Plaintiffs, by counsel, and for their Complaint, state as follows:

JURISDICTION and VENUE

- This action arises from a motor vehicle collision which occurred on or about November 6, 2019, near mile marker 15, on Interstate 64, in or near Barboursville, Cabell County, West Virginia.
- 2. At all times relevant to this action, Plaintiffs Laura Maynard and Jonathan Roy were married residents of West Hamlin, Lincoln County, West Virginia
- Upon information and belief, at all times relevant to this action,
 Defendant Pro Transport and Leasing, Inc. was a corporation organized under the
 laws of North Dakota, but conducting business activities on West Virginia roadways.
- 4. Upon information and belief, at all times relevant to this action,
 Defendant Jason Revels was a resident of Lumberton, North Carolina.

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- Upon information and belief, at all times relevant to this action,
 Defendant Reinke Manufacturing Company was a corporation organized under the laws of Nebraska, but conducting business activities on West Virginia roadways.
- 6. Upon information and belief, at all times relevant to this action, Defendant John Doe Driver is an unidentified driver of a vehicle involved in the subject collision which was owned and/or operated by Defendant Reinke Manufacturing Company.
- 7. This Court has personal jurisdiction to hear the present action by virtue of West Virginia Code Sections 56-3-33 and 56-3-31 (the West Virginia Long Arm Non-Resident Operator Statutes) and the facts as set forth herein.
- This Court is the appropriate venue for the present action by virtue of
 West Virginia Code section 56-1-1.

FACTS

- 9. On or about November 6, 2019, Plaintiff Laura Maynard was the driver of a 2014 Ford Fiesta traveling east bound on Interstate 64 near mile marker 15, in or near Barboursville, West Virginia.
- 10. At the same time on or about November 6, 2019, Defendant John Doe Driver was also traveling east bound and operating a commercial motor vehicle on Interstate 64, near mile marker 15, in or near Barboursville, West Virginia.
- 11. Defendant John Doe Driver operated his commercial vehicle in a manner to cut in front of Plaintiff Laura Maynard, in response to which she applied her brakes to avoid a collision.

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- 12. Upon information and belief, Defendant John Doe Driver was operating the commercial motor vehicle on November 6, 2019 in the course and scope of his employment with Defendant Reinke Manufacturing Company.
- 13. At the same time on or about November 6, 2019, Defendant Revels was also traveling east bound on Interstate 64, near mile marker 15, in or near Barboursville, West Virginia, directly behind Plaintiff Laura Maynard.
- 14. Upon information and belief, Defendant Revels was operating the subject commercial motor vehicle in the scope of, and in the course of, his employment by Defendant Pro Transport and Leasing, Inc.
- 15. While Defendant Revels was traveling behind Plaintiff Laura Maynard, he approached her from the rear and struck the rear of her car with his Semi.
- In rear-ending Plaintiff Laura Maynard's car with his Semi on the
 Interstate, Defendant Jason Revels failed to keep an assured clear distance ahead.
- 17. In rear-ending Plaintiff Laura Maynard's car with his Semi on the Interstate, Defendant Jason Revels failed to operate his commercial motor vehicle in a manner to be able to come safely to a stop within the distance he could see ahead.
- 18. In rear ending Plaintiff Laura Maynard's car with his Semi on the Interstate, Defendant Jason Revels followed her too closely under the conditions.
- 19. The subject collision was investigated by Officers Seay and Campbell of the Barboursville Police Department, who determined that Defendant Jason Revels failed to maintain control of his commercial motor vehicle.

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COUNT ONE - NEGLIGENCE

- Plaintiffs incorporate the allegations and inferences of all preceding paragraphs of the Complaint into this Count.
- 21. On or about November 6, 2019, Defendants John Doe Driver and Defendant Jason Revels had a duty to operate their commercial motor vehicles in a safe and careful manner, such as would a reasonably prudent driver on the roads in the State of West Virginia.
- 22. By failing to operate their commercial motor vehicles in a safe and careful manner, resulting in Defendant Jason Revels rear-ending Plaintiff Laura Maynard, Defendant John Doe Driver and Defendant Jason Revels breached their aforementioned duty.
- 23. By failing to observe all applicable rules and regulations for operating their commercial motor vehicles on the Interstate roadways within West Virginia, Defendants breached their aforementioned duty.
- 24. Defendants' breach of their aforementioned duty to operate their vehicles in a safe and careful manner was the direct and proximate cause of the collision which occurred on November 6, 2019.
- 25. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' breach of their aforementioned duty to operate their commercial motor vehicles in a safe and careful manner on November 6, 2019, Plaintiff Laura Maynard has suffered physical injuries and other general and special damages.

26. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' breach of their aforementioned duty to operate their commercial motor vehicles in a safe and careful manner on November 6, 2019, Plaintiff Jonathan Roy has suffered a loss of spousal consortium.

27. Under the doctrine of *respondeat superior*, Defendant Pro Transport and Leasing, Inc. and Defendant Reinke Manufacturing Company are vicariously liable for the negligence of their respective employees, Defendant Jason Revels and Defendant John Doe Driver.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs pray this Honorable Court will grant judgment against Defendants in an amount sufficient to fully compensate the Plaintiffs for past and future general and special damages and such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

PLAINTIFFS DEMAND A TRIAL BY JURY

LAURA MAYNARD and JONATHAN ROY

By Counsel

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SUMMONS

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Defendant: PRO TRANSPORT & LEASING, INC.

4655 28TH AVENUE SOUTH GRAND FORKS, ND 58201 US Agent: ARTHUR O. BAKKEN

County: Cabell
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COMPANY 1040 ROAD 5300 DESHLER, NE 68340 US Agent: CHRIS C. ROTH

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JURY TRIAL DEMANDED HEREIN

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NOTICE OF APPEARANCE

Kindly enter the appearance of Timothy A. Montgomery, Esquire, Julie A. Brennan, Esquire, and Pion, Nerone, Girman, Winslow & Smith, P.C., on behalf of Defendants, Pro Transport & Leasing, Inc. and Jason Revels, in the above matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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I, Julie A. Brennan, Esquire, hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF APPEARANCE was served upon counsel of record email, this 19th day of November, 2021, as follows:

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